UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

v. : 5:18-cr-00264

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JOSE ANTONIO ORTIZ

ORDER

AND NOW, this 15th day of April, 2021, upon consideration of the Defendant's motion for compassionate release, *see* ECF No. 35, and for the reasons set forth in the Opinion issued this date, **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 1. Defendant's motion for compassionate release, ECF No. 35, is **DENIED.**
- 2. The Government's motion to seal the exhibit to its opposition to Defendant's motion, ECF No. 44, as well as the Defendant's motion to seal his motion for compassionate release, ECF No. 36, are **GRANTED.**¹

BY THE COURT:

/s/ Joseph F. Leeson, Jr.
JOSEPH F. LEESON, JR.
United States District Judge

The Government's exhibit contains the Defendant's prison medical records. Although the public has a common law right of access to judicial proceedings and papers, matters relating to the daily details of the Defendant's medical condition are not in the public interest. The Court finds the Government's interest in protecting the privacy of medical records of individuals in its custody—and the privacy interests of those individuals—outweighs any interest the public may have in these documents. *See Bertolotti v. AutoZone, Inc.*, 132 F. Supp. 3d 590, 609 (D.N.J. 2015); *Everett v. Nort*, 547 Fed.Appx. 117, 122 n. 9 (3d Cir.2013). The Defendant's motion to seal is granted for the reasons set forth in the motion.